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UDOT Opens First Section of Mountain View Corridor in Salt Lake County Mountain View Corridor Now Open to Motorists in Herriman and Riverton

Salt Lake City, UT – UDOT marked a significant milestone today as the first two-mile section of Mountain View Corridor (MVC) in Salt Lake County opened to motorists from 12600 South to Rosecrest Road (14400 South). The roadway was opened following a community celebration and a 5K Fun Run on the brand new pavement.

"Today marks a major milestone for the Mountain View Corridor Project," said Project Director Teri Newell. "The opening of this section of MVC comes six months ahead of schedule and will greatly ease traffic congestion in the area."

While MVC provides increased mobility, it will require motorists to adjust their driving patterns and learn how to navigate a new one-way frontage road system. Signs are posted along the corridor and at each intersection to help motorists adjust to the new traffic patterns. UDOT has also produced a navigational video with route maps that motorists can access by visiting the project website: udot.utah.gov/mountainview.

MVC includes bike lanes, which also opened today. The sidewalk will remain closed until later this summer.

B-roll footage of today's 5K Fun Run and celebration is available for media use courtesy of UDOT. The video will be available after 2:00 p.m. by logging on to: (insert link once Shirstie uploads video. Note, we will not include this part in the press kit).

ABOUT THE PROJECT:

The Mountain View Corridor (MVC) includes construction of a 15-mile roadway north from Redwood Road (at approximately 16000 South) to 5400 South. As part of the initial construction, UDOT will build two lanes in each direction with signalized intersections where future interchanges will be located. Future construction will build out the remainder of the corridor by adding interchanges and inside lanes to achieve a fully functional freeway.

The Mountain View Corridor is a planned freeway, transit and trail system in western Salt Lake and northwestern Utah counties, servicing 13 municipalities in the project area. To meet projected transportation demands in the year 2030, the full build-out includes a freeway that connects with I-80 at 5800 West in Salt Lake County and I-15 at 2100 North in Lehi.

For more information on the project and to view the latest videos and interactive map, visit the Mountain View Corridor website (udot.utah.gov/mountainview). Drivers can stay informed on all construction activities by signing up for weekly e-mail updates at udot.utah.gov/mountainview and following the project on facebook.com/mountainviewcorridor and twitter.com/udotmvc.

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